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## MARINES TO GUIDE SHRINE PARADERS

Visiting Shriners will parade to the "Hep, hep" of the world's greatest experts in drill, according to the latest plan for cooperation between the Shrine committee and the headquarters of the United States Marine Corps in this city. At the request of the Shrine, the Marine Corps is assembling 100 of the hardest-boiled drill sergeants of that organization, together with 25 officers who are experts in the science of marching, to marshal the hosts of uniformed men who will take part in the Shrine parades of Tuesday and Wednesday. The Marines will seek to avoid breaks or delays in the line of march.

### Remembered San Francisco

The request of the Shrine was a result of experiences in the parade at the San Francisco convention, where, due to lack of organized guidance, several annoying breaks in the line and a number of aggravating delays in the march marred the event. As a result the committee here determined that the Washington parade should be under the superintendence of an organized body of military experts, prepared in advance for the huge task with which they would be confronted in regulating the motion of the great parade of 20,000 nobles, or nearly the strength of a wartime division.

Several sources were applied to for assistance without results, until the committee consulted Maj. Gen. John A. Lejeune, commandant of the Marine Corps, with a view of securing the aid of that body, famous among the crack troops of the whole world for its precision of drill and discipline. In accordance with his policy of cooperating to the limit to make the convention a success, General Lejeune at once offered the needed aid, and dispatched orders to Quantico, the Marine training base, for the preparation of a unit of drill-masters and marching experts capable of performing the task.

### Familiarized With Plans

The detachment will be commanded by Maj. James Meade, of the famous Sixth Marine regiment which covered itself with glory at Belleau Wood and other actions in the world war. It will be composed of drill sergeants of the type which have rendered the Marine Corps famous for military drill and discipline the world over. The officers who will accompany it will be specialists in the art of marching, most of them graduates of the Quantico Marine schools, having experience in the famous Marine Corps hikes and prac-

tice marches such as the trip to Gettysburg last summer.

For several days the detachment commander and his officers have been in conference with the Shrine authorities and have gone carefully over the route of march with their men, so that each man will know the desires of the Shrine parade committee, and will be familiar with his own personal task in the work of keeping the parade in proper formation of march and on schedule time.—(From Washington Post.)

## WESTERN DIVISION COMPETITIONS

The following are the medal winners in the Western Division Rifle and Pistol Competitions held at Mare Island, Calif. The course fired was that prescribed by the Marine Corps Manual for these competitions. Eight hundred is a possible score for the competition.

### Rifle Competition

- Gold Medal.—Cpl. L. Petroskey, Mare Island; 739.
- Gold Medal.—Sergt. P. T. Perkins, Mare Island; 727.
- Silver Medal.—Quartermaster Sergt. Stima, Mare Island; 724.
- Silver Medal.—Sergt. H. Weston, Pearl Harbor; 721.
- Silver Medal.—Cpl. J. R. Walczak, San Diego; 717.
- Bronze Medal.—Pvt. 1st Class E. P. Schmierer, Nicaragua; 716.
- Bronze Medal.—Sergt. P. W. Lahme, Puget Sound; 714.
- Bronze Medal.—Capt. W. P. Richards, Puget Sound; 709.
- Bronze Medal.—Pvt. D. G. Fraxker, San Diego; 706.
- Bronze Medal.—Pvt. R. J. Martini, San Diego; 705.
- Bronze Medal.—Sergt. James W. Scott, San Diego; 705.

The following Distinguished Marksmen fired for record only, distinguished marksmen not being eligible for medals, but being entitled to places on the Marine Corps Rifle Team:

- Cpl. James R. Tucker, Mare Island; 721.
- Pvt. 1st Class James V. Alexander, Mare Island; 721.
- Sergt. Homer Jarvis, Puget Sound; 712.
- First Sergt. Nolan Tillman, San Diego; 709.
- Sergt. Thomas Jones, San Diego; 696.

### Pistol Competition

The pistol competition was fired over the prescribed course with a possible of 1,680 for the course. The following medals were awarded:

- Gold Medal.—Cpl. J. R. Tucker, Mare Island; 1,433.

Silver Medal.—Cpl. A. A. Fenton, San Diego; 1,425.

Silver Medal.—Cpl. L. Petroskey, Mare Island; 1,418.

Bronze Medal.—Gy. Sergt. Leo Peters, San Diego; 1,416.

Bronze Medal.—First Sergt. N. Tillman, San Diego; 1,402.

Bronze Medal.—Cpl. A. R. Frock, Mare Island; 1,366.

Bronze Medal.—Pvt. 1st Class R. H. Hyde, San Diego; 1,363.

The following Distinguished Pistol Shots fired for record: Distinguished Pistol Shots like Distinguished Marksmen are not entitled to medals but are eligible for selection on the Marine Corps Pistol Team.

Pvt. Fred Krause, Mare Island; 1,500.

Pvt. G. Dudley Fracker, San Diego; 1,465.

Gy. Sergt. Henry Morf, Mare Island; 1,377.

### QUANTICO ENTERTAINS 3,000

#### SHRINERS ON BELLEAU WOOD DAY

Three thousand of the Shriners who are the guests of the National Capital during Shrine week were entertained on Belleau Wood Day by the Marine Corps Expeditionary Force at Quantico.

The entertainment took the form of a boat trip down the Potomac on the steamer *St. Johns*, chartered by the Quantico authorities for the day, and two naval vessels, the *Moose Head*, a steamer used to carry passengers and supplies between Washington and the Proving Ground at Indian Head, and one Eagle boat. Stops were made at Fort Washington, Mount Vernon, and Indian Head.

On arrival at Quantico the visitors were split into groups and served lunch at the various messes. During the afternoon a field problem was worked out and the use of every form of modern weapon exhibited to the guests.

The massed band of Quantico, totaling two hundred musicians, were split into three sections and furnished music throughout the day.

This demonstration was particularly well received. The Shriners who made the trip represented practically every state in the union and to many of them Marines were almost unknown. It is safe to say that the Marine Corps now has friends and admirers among the Shriners in all states.

### MARINE MACHINE GUNNERS

#### BREAK OWN RECORDS

Gunnery Sergeant Gurdon F. Charsa, holder of the World's Record for dismounting and assembling a Browning Machine Gun, blindfolded; and Pvt. W. A. Leavitt, who holds the record for the similar feat with the Browning automatic rifle, each lowered the record several times last week.

Gunnery Sergeant Charsa and Private Leavitt, who are stationed at Quantico, Va., are now giving demonstrations of Marine Corps proficiency at the Marine booth at the Vocational and Trade Schools Exposition at Chicago.

The Marine Booth is attracting much attention at the exposition. The *Vocational Call*, a paper published at the Exposition, comments on it as follows: "One of the most important exhibitors at the Vocational and Trade Schools Exposition is Uncle Sam, first in war and first in peace, and one of the first advocates of the *Earn While You Learn* system. His is a school of service and men who have gone through it are highly finished products greatly in demand in civilian life." The booth is under the direction of Lieut. Otto B. Hill and Sergt. H. B. Youngs.

The two Quantico Machine Gunners give demonstrations of speed dismounting and assembling blindfolded, four times a day. Each day has seen a new record. Gunnery Sergeant Charsa first broke the world's record by completing the work in one minute and twenty seconds. He then lowered his mark to 54 seconds and then again reduced it to 44 seconds, a really remarkable performance.

In the meantime Private Leavitt who established his record with the "Light" Browning at Quantico last month, cut his time of one minute and seven seconds to 37 seconds and then again to 33 and 2-5 seconds.

### SAN DIEGO TROPHY MATCH

The San Diego Trophy Match was fired at Mare Island, Calif., on May 23, 1923, the Mare Island Team winning first place. The following are the results of this match:

#### First Place:

Mare Island Team	1,449
Gy-Sergt. Charles R. Nordstrom	361
Cpl. James R. Tucker	367
Cpl. Leo Petroskey	356
Pvt. 1st Class James V. Alexander	365
Total	1,449

#### Second Place:

Puget Sound Team	1,411
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#### Third Place:

San Diego Team	1,392
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#### Fourth Place:

Pearl Harbor Team	1,359
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### DO YOU KNOW—

That a fountain of fresh water bubbles up through the salt water of the ocean some miles south of Cuba? This fresh water comes from springs that are fed from below the bed of the ocean. As fresh water is lighter than salt water, it rises.

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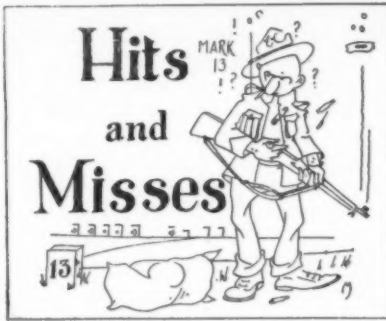


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### The Dangerous Age

Much has been written of late regarding the Dangerous Age. It appears that gents who have safely cruised through the "twenties," have carefully navigated the "thirties" and have set sail on the sea of the "forties" are scheduled to fall for the frills of a flapper.

The newspapers are filled with the escapades of middle-aged gents who have amassed fortunes by sticking to the straight and narrow path during their youth, only to turn aside from their true course in later years in order to tread the primrose path of dalliance.

Of course, most Marines reach the Dangerous Age long before they are forty. If you were to ask some of the lads who were at Belleau Wood what they considered the Dangerous Age, they would doubtless check about five years off the calendar and hand you the answer.

Other Marines might hark back to the days nine years ago, when the little group of sea soldiers landed at Vera Cruz and took over the Custom House while the Mexican bullets were flying.

Others could go back still farther to the days of the squabbles in China, Nicaragua, Cuba and elsewhere, or tell of more recent danger periods in Haiti or Santo Domingo.

Getting back to the original subject, however, it may be noted that very few Marines encounter the Dangerous Age at, say the mature age of forty-five. Perhaps the reason is that very few Marines at that age have collected a million bucks and are looking for some way to spend it in a hurry.

The Dangerous Age of the male civilian may be, as the evidence seems to show, about the time they have rolled up a bundle of stocks and bonds and have forgotten how to stand prosperity.

The Dangerous Age of a Marine is when he encounters the most danger, and that period can best be determined by each individual Marine.

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Private Washington Lee Johnson had just come up with the replacements and was on sentry duty the first night in the new camp. In the early morning hours along blew the colonel.

"Halt! Who all dar?" bellowed Private Johnson.

"Officer of the post."

There was a long and painful silence while the sentry racked his brain for the proper thing to say. Then the officer snarled:

"Well, why don't you say something?"

Are you going to leave me standing here like this all night?"

"Nossuh," answered Private Johnson, in relief, as a flash of inspiration came, "no, suh. At ease!"—*Exchange.*

### A Confession

Poets are born—not made. That cryptic phrase has been dingdonged into the ears of the listening public so long that it is beginning to be recognized as an accepted truth.

While digging over the keepsakes of my early childhood, I ran across a little bit of evidence that convinced me of its truth. Written in a crude scrawl, which hasn't improved a bit in later years, was this bit of doggerel that I turned out at the tender age of ten.

I can remember when I first wrote it and exhibited it to my mother as proof of the budding genius of her son and heir. How the bird who wrote it could have survived the intervening years without diving off the dock or turning on the gas is something for psychologists to ponder. Well here it is fellows. Read it and weep!

Why do we weep

For those who sleep  
Beneath their grassy bed.

It will not be long

Before we are gone

And are numbered among the dead.

I'll spare you the rest of the verses. All of them are filled with great big gobs of gloom. However, I managed to survive that early effort and have even managed to be quite cheerful at times. I'm sorry now that my mother showed her appreciation of this bit of graveyard meter instead of giving me a good trouncing.

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He was a small, bow-legged, watery-eyed private in a colored stevedore company working at Brest. He was homesick and miserable. The morning after the armistice he went to his sergeant, a big raw-boned, powerful colored boy from Texas, and said:

"Sarge, I'se tired and I wants to go back to Alabama. I has totd dese here boxes from the ships to the cars until my shoulder is done wore plum down to de bone. I 'listed for de duration of de wah, an' now de wah is done over an' I wants to git on back home."

The sergeant looked him over and up and down. If looks could kill he would have been dead.

"Nigger," he said, "git yourself back on dat job! De wah am over! Dat's right! But the duration am just started."—*Exchange.*

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When convalescing from typhoid one of the patients shouted for something to eat so lustily that the nurse brought him a teaspoonful of oatmeal. "Now," said he peevishly, "I want to read. Bring me a postage stamp."

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### Duty First

An Irishman went into a restaurant on Friday and asked: "Have you any stewed whale?"

"No," said the waiter.

"Then ye can bring me beef steak," said Mike. "Lord knows I tried to get fish."

### Speaking of Jokes

It's hard to write a page of jokes,  
More hard than it appears,  
For jokes will either please some folks,  
Or fall on deadened ears.

I like the jokes that Adam told  
When Eve was first his bride:  
About the chick that crossed the road  
To reach the other side.

And Cleopatra laughed aloud  
And waxed exceeding fat,  
When Caesar told her ancient jokes  
About friend Mike and Pat.

The merry quips, the anecdotes  
That Old King Tut once told,  
Will bring a vagrant smile today,  
Though they are ages old.

Oh jokes may come and jokes may go,  
But here's a maxim true:  
"The jokes you have not heard before  
Are always new to you!"

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### No Foreigner Could Boss Him

The music boy at Parris Island had received letter after letter from his father, urging him to write home. He paid no attention to any of them, and finally he was called into the office of the Commanding Officer.

"Why don't you write to your father?" demanded the C. O. "Don't you know it is a duty you owe your parent to keep him informed of your progress in the service? What have you to say for yourself?"

"Sir," said the would-be trumpeter, "my dad is always telling me what to do. That's why I came into the service. He was born in Milan, Italy, and I was born right here in the United States. I haven't answered his letters because I ain't going to let no foreigner tell me where I get off at."

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### Advancement Like Baseball

Baseball has its parallel in other walks of life, and just for the sake of comparison we might apply the simile to the Marine Corps. For example:

When you are a private, first class, you've knocked out a single.

When you've achieved the distinction of "corporal," you've banded out a two-bagger.

When you sew on the three stripes, you've knocked the old apple for three sacks.

When the diamond becomes a part of your official insignia, you've scored a home run.

Of course, if you eventually work your way into the select first grad non-com. division, you can consider yourself on a par with Ban Johnson, Babe Ruth and Judge Landis.

As we seem to have slighted the private in the above estimate, we will try and square it by announcing that the private has to make "sacrifices"; he often "takes a walk"; he gets blamed for all the "errors"; and you seldom find him "sitting on the bench."

HASH MARK.



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## WHAT A FRIEND IS

A friend is a person who is "for you" always, under all circumstances.

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He likes you just as you are. He does not alter you.

Whatever kind of coat you are wearing, whether you have a dress suit or a hickory shirt with no collar, he thinks it's fine.

He likes your moods, and enjoys your pessimisms as much as your optimisms.

He likes your success, and your failure endears him more.

He is better than a lover, because he is never jealous.

He wants nothing from you, except that you be yourself.

He is one being with whom you can feel safe. With him you can utter your heart, its badness and its goodness. You don't have to be careful.

In his presence you can be discreet, which means you can rest.

There are many faithful wives and husbands; there are few friends.

Friendship is the most admirable, amazing, and rare article among human beings.

Anybody stands by you when you are right; a friend stands by you even when you are wrong.

Like the shade of a great tree in the noonday is a friend.

Like the home port, with your country's flag flying, after long journeys, is a friend.

A friend is an impregnable citadel of refuge in the strife of existence.

It is he that keeps alive your faith in human nature, that makes you believe that it is a good universe.

You give to him without reluctance and borrow from him without embarrassment.

When you are vigorous and spirited, you like to take your pleasures with him; when you are sick, you want to see him; when you are dying, you want him near.—J. L. Hirsh, in *Rotary Reminder*.

## BELLEAU WOOD DAY CELEBRATED WIDELY

Marines and ex-Marines all over the world took proper notice of the anniversary of the battle of Bel-

leau Wood. In France, representatives of the Belleau Wood Memorial Association conducted exercises in line with the plans to erect fitting memorials of the engagement which brought so much credit to American forces. Part of the program which this association has before it calls for certain restorations in the nearby villages of France, it being considered that this will afford a most fitting memorial.

In all cities of the United States, Marine Corps Veterans joined with the local recruiting forces in celebration of the day. In some cities elaborate programs were prepared. Space does not permit the detailed description of these programs but some of them will be described in later editions.

In Washington, D. C., where the Shrine Convention is now being held, the celebration of Belleau Wood Day was made a part of the official program. The celebration here took the form of a band concert in which the Marine Band and the Army Band were combined under the leadership of Second Leader Taylor Branson of the Marine Band. The concert was attended by many high officials and by a crowd of the visiting Shriners, among whom are many ex-Marines.

The day was also marked by a big demonstration in Quantico, details of which are given in another column.

At the conclusion of the joint rehearsal at the Marine Barracks where they had been practicing, the Army Band under Bandmaster W. J. Stannard, and the Marine Band under Second Leader Taylor Branson, marched to the Quarters of the Commanding Officer, Major Clayton B. Vogel, where they tendered him a rousing serenade, playing several of the Marine Corps favorites, namely, *Semper Fidelis*, *The Stars and Stripes Forever*, and the march composed by Second Leader Branson, and dedicated to the memory of Belleau Wood.

## THIRTEEN MORE MARINES GRADUATED

Two officers and eleven enlisted men of the Marine Corps have completed courses in the Marine Corps Institute and have been awarded diplomas by the International Correspondence Schools of Scranton, Pa. Accompanying each diploma sent was a congratulatory letter from the Major General, Commandant of the Marine Corps. The men graduating, the courses completed, and the home addresses of the graduates are as follows:

Lieut. Herman Reinhold Anderson, Refrigerating Course, Marine Barracks, Quantico, Va.

Lieut. Carl Gardner, Practical Telephone Course, Marine Detachment, American Legation Guard, Peking, China.

Sergt. Sidney Wyatt Jones, Poultry Farming Course, Route 1, Box 4, Christainberg, Va.

Sergt. Stanley Peter Yasensky, Salesmanship Course, Wallingford, Conn.

Cpl. John Bobbish, Toolmaking Division of Shop Practice Course, 1327 N. 62d St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Cpl. Jesse Waller Coleman, Complete Automobile Course, Lanett, Ala.

Cpl. Frank Fred Hintz, Poultry Breeding Course, 392 30th Ave., Milwaukee, Wis.

Pvt. 1st Class Irving Joseph Weiss, Complete Automobile Course, 565 Putnam Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Pvt. 1st Class Millard F. Henley, Railway Mail Clerk Course, 1302 Ange St., St. Louis, Mo.

Pvt. Frank George Titrington, Commercial Correspondence Course, Chester, Minn.

Pvt. Harold Raymond Bouilly, Commercial Correspondence Course, 4422 N. Central Park Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Pvt. William Theodore Brown, Radio Operator's Course, Vladivostok, Russia.

Pvt. Ronald Stewart Knaus, Railway Mail Clerk Course, Plainfield, N. J.

### RADIO FLASHES FROM RECRUITERS

(From the Southwestern Agitator, Houston, Texas)

On Memorial Day the McLemore Marine Detachment, Marine Corps Veterans' Association and Marines from this station turned out and decorated all the graves of deceased Marines in the various cemeteries of Houston. The Marine Corps Truck was used for handling the flowers and was filled to its capacity with beautiful wreaths collected by Mrs. W. E. Baust.

Other details assisted the ladies patriotic societies in the decorating of graves, and acted as ushers at the services held in Miller Memorial, at Herman Park.

A detail of three men, a sergeant from this office and two ex-Marine trumpeters attended the services held by the Mothers of the Navy at the Turning Basin, and sounded taps after the flowers had been scattered on the waters.

Three Marines handled the raising and lowering of the flags at the dedication services of the Forrest Park cemetery, a plot purchased by the Womans' Auxiliary of the American Legion for the burial of the ex-service men who died at Camp Logan Hospital. All services were very impressive and well attended by the citizens.

### NOTES FROM PEARL HARBOR

(Reenlisted from the Pearl Harbor Weekly)

The first detail has come in from the range after two weeks of practice and record firing, and the second detail, from the 92d Company, as was the first, will go out on Monday. This will just about wind up all 92d Company men, and the 117th Company will send out a detail shortly after the first of June.

An experimental moving picture screen has been put upon the outside at the west end of the barracks, and the projector has been turned to throw the movies out through a window in the gymnasium, the regular projecting room being used. This should work out well, as the gymnasium building is pretty hot in the summer, even at night. Chairs for the spectators are arranged every evening that a show is held, in the open space between the gym and the barracks.

We understand that favorable action has been taken by Headquarters on the request for a new Post Exchange in a building devoted to itself. The Exchange Officer asked permission to build such an exchange, and Washington has directed that the proposal be forwarded there. Estimates and plans are now probably

on the way here from the east, and it is earnestly hoped that a contract will be let and work begun soon. The need of a new location is so pressing now that the light of the old place has been blocked off, that it should not be delayed.

The Marines have usually been referred to in the papers as "Sea Soldiers," but when the Honolulu evening paper recently referred to us as "Sea Scouts," it was a perfectly excusable mistake, the reporter probably saw some of the neat and nifty "Kandy Kids" ashore.

We heard a Gyrene remark, the other night at the show, "What is this Kentucky Derby show, anyway? I thought that a Kentucky Derby was a straw hat, just like a Missouri Merschaum is a cob pipe."

On Monday Admiral Hilary P. Jones, U. S. Navy, Commander of the U. S. Fleet, accompanied by his staff and by Rear Admiral Simpson, Commandant of this district, inspected the Marine Barracks, being received by Major Hoadley, the Commanding Officer, and Officers of the post. The entire Marine Detachment was paraded, and the Guard of the Day rendered the honors due his rank.

Work on the new laundry is almost completed, except for the installation of machinery. The building, which was built by a Honolulu firm under contract to the Public Works Department of this Naval Station, is of timber framework, over which a layer of concrete reinforced with steel, has been placed, giving all the durability and appearance of a solid concrete building, one story in height. Not only is it attractive in aspect but it is well built, with many large windows and plenty of room inside. The flooring is concrete, and with the arrival and installation of the new machinery, the Marine Barracks here will have one of the best laundries in the service. Considering the old tumble down tin shack and obsolete machinery that had been in use before, on ground now taken over for the enlarged Fuel Reserve tanks, the new structure is a decided asset.

### BATTLE FLEET HOLDS FIELD MEET

The annual track and field meet for the championship of the Battle Fleet was held this year at Long Beach, Calif. The U. S. S. *Mississippi* took first place with thirty-eight total points. The *California* was second with 33 points, the *New York* third with 33 and the *Tennessee* fourth with 18. Corporal Frank of the Marine Detachment of the *Mississippi* helped swell the total of his ship's score with firsts in the shot-put and in the discus.

Jordan of the *Tennessee* proved himself a sprinter of promise. His time in the hundred was such as to make all take notice.

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All of us who have a living to earn must work during the day, till supper time, but afterwards we do as we please. We either waste our "spare hours" or use them beneficially. We take our ease and seek amusement, or we seize the opportunity to acquire knowledge that qualifies for more responsible work and larger pay.

The men who have won really good positions turned some of their after-supper time to profitable account. Had they been just "good fellows" they would in nearly all cases be much lower in rank and earning much less money. Many of them would be down and out.

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## MARINE CORPS ORDERS

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Capt. Bernard F. Hickey—Detached Marine Barracks, Quantico, Va., to the American Embassy, Tokyo, Japan.

June 1, 1923

1st Lieut. James E. Smith—Resignation from the Marine Corps accepted.

June 2, 1923

No orders issued.

June 4, 1923

Maj. Clarke H. Wells—Detached Marine Barracks, Quantico, Va., to the Naval War College, Newport, R. I.

June 6, 1923

Capt. James M. Bain—Detached Marine Barracks, Quantico, Va., to the Marine Detachment, U. S. S. *Rochester*.

June 7, 1923

1st Lieut. George H. Morse—On August 1, 1923, detached Marine Barracks, Quantico, Va., to the Marine Barracks, Parris Island, S. C.

The following officers appointed second lieutenants in the Marine Corps upon graduation from the Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., and assigned to duty at Quantico, Va.:

Second Lieutenants John T. Harris, Frederick C. Stevens, Frank D. Weir, Kenneth L. Moses, George F. Good, Donald J. Hawthorne, Frank H. Lamson-Scribner, William G. Manley, Henry J. Voss, Robert H. Rhoads, Lawrence T. Burke, Maxwell H. Mizell, Richard M. Cutts, Shelton C. Serr, John E. Curry, Merlin F. Schneider, Ira L. Kimes, William C. Lemly, Merrill B. Twinning, William J. Scheyer, Thomas B. White, William W. Davidson, Wilson S. Trundle, Thomas J. Walker, Charles W. Kail.

Rastus Johnson, of 135th Street and the Buffalo Division, was waiting for his glimpse first of France. The first sign of life he observed was a Breton fisherman.

"How come, feller? Us folks goin' to war, and you all goin' fishin'?"—*Hawaiian Dept., U. S. A.*

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Lightning knocked a man out of bed in Western Kansas the other night and the first words he murmured were: "All right, dear, I'll get right up."

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## WEEKLY REPORT Marine Corps Institute

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## ENROLLMENT BY SCHOOLS

Total number individuals enrolled.. 6618

## Business Schools

Marine Officers Accounting.....	384
Civil Service.....	642
Commerce.....	560
Banking, etc.....	21
Business Management.....	45
Commercial Law.....	54
Higher Accounting.....	224
Railroad Accounting.....	1
Traffic Management.....	37

## Construction Schools

Agriculture.....	110
Poultry Husbandry.....	54
Domestic Science.....	23
Architecture.....	92
Drafting.....	91
Civil Engineering.....	147
Navigation.....	78
Textiles.....	5
Plumbing, etc.....	74
Concrete Engineering.....	20
Structural Engineering.....	14

## Industrial Schools

Automobiles.....	637
Chemistry.....	28
Mining & Metallurgy.....	44
Refrigeration.....	8
Pharmacy.....	46
Electrical Engineering.....	293
Telephony and Telegraphy.....	276
Steam Engineering.....	74
Mechanical Engineering.....	67
Shop Practice.....	52
Gas Engines.....	206

## Publicity Schools

Advertising.....	44
Salesmanship.....	196
Foreign Trade.....	24
Window Trimming, etc.....	15
Illustrating and Design.....	137
Show Card Writing.....	66
Lettering, Sign Painting.....	37
Languages.....	256
General English.....	1019
Preparatory.....	303

Total..... 6618

Number of examination papers received during week..... 939

Number of examination papers received during 1923..... 21883

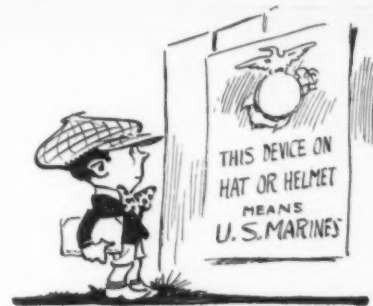
## In Deference to Fashion

It seems that the bell-bottomed trousers of the bluejacket are doomed to extinction. Plans are being submitted by naval tailors that will do away with the toreador cut of pants, long favored by the seamen of our own and other countries, and that for substitutes they will have nether garments built along more circumscribed lines. The picturesque garb of the sailor harks back to antiquity; it is reminiscent of the sailor lads of centuries ago, who climbed the masts in calm or stormy weather to shorten sail. Other changes are contemplated in the garb of the bluejacket's. Let's hope that the new habiliments are as picturesque as the old.

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## Home, Sweet Home!

Two little fleas together sat,  
And one to the other said:  
I have no place to hang my hat,  
For the Gyrene's dog is dead.  
I went with him around the world,  
And farther will I roam.  
So the next darn dog that hits this post  
Will be my home, sweet home!



## Marines Recently Reenlisting

James W. A. Sims, 5-23-23, Quantico.  
Charles A. McLaughlin, 5-12-23, Santo Domingo.  
Frank R. Lazary, 5-29-23, Quantico.  
Joseph R. Wholley, 5-29-23, San Diego.  
Harry D. Hill, 5-28-23, West Coast.  
William M. Wiles, 5-26-23, Hampton Roads.  
John A. Harris, 5-25-23, Mare Island.  
William J. Benoit, 5-29-23, Hampton Roads.  
Raymond K. Pooler, 6-1-23, Boston.  
John M. Miles, 5-30-23, Parris Island.

## He Had Every Excuse

A man was visiting a lunatic asylum, and while walking in the grounds he met a patient, to whom he said:

"Well, how did you get here?"

The man replied: "Well, sir, you see, I married a widow with a grown-up daughter, and then my father married my wife's daughter, and that made my wife the mother-in-law of her father-in-law, and my father became my stepson. Then my stepmother had a son, and that boy, of course, was my brother, because he was my father's son, but he was also the son of my wife's daughter, and therefore her grandson, and that made me grandfather of my stepbrother. Then my wife had a son, so my stepmother, the stepsister of my son, is also his grandmother, because he is her stepson's child, and his stepsister is his wife. I am the brother of my own son, who is also the son of my stepgrandmother; I am my stepmother's brother-in-law; my wife is her own child's aunt; my son is my father's nephew, and I am my own grandfather. That's why I am here, sir."

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## Hospitality Plus

The acting assistant battalion sergeant major was earnestly trying to look busy in battalion headquarters one afternoon, when a shiny new second lieutenant arrived, scowled about the office, clicked his spurs together, threw out his chest and glowered at the a. a. b. s. m.

"Have a chair," suggested the latter hospitably.

"I," the newcomer informed him pompously, "am Lieutenant Twitterwit!"

"In that case," said the a. a. b. s. m., "have two chairs, sir."—*Infantry Journal*.

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Father—That Marine stayed very late again Edith.

Edith—Yes, father; I was showing him my picture postal cards.

Father—Well, the next time he wants to stay late show him some of the electric light bills.

## DEATHS REPORTED AT MARINE HEADQUARTERS DURING THE MONTH OF MAY

### Officers

Maj. Gen. William P. Biddle, (retired).—Died February 24, 1923, of disease at Nice, France. Next of kin: Mrs. Martha R. Biddle, (widow), c/o Mr. Louis J. Nicolaus, Stifel Nicolaus Investment Company, St. Louis, Mo.

Lieut. Col. Earl H. Ellis.—Died May 12, 1923, at Parao, Caroline Islands. Next of kin: Mrs. Katherine E. Ellis, (mother), Pratt, Kans.

Capt. Harry E. Stovall, Marine Corps Reserve (inactive).—Died December 31, 1922, at Mexia, Texas. Next of kin: Mrs. Ellen M. Stovall, (widow), 1909 G St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

### Enlisted Men

Pvt. Maurice W. Andrews.—Died May 15, 1923, at Vallejo, Calif. Next of kin: Lillian Andrews, (mother), New Providence, Iowa.

Pvt. William Downy.—Died May 18, 1923, of disease at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii. Next of kin: Lemuel T. Coleman, (father), Burlington, Wash.

Pvt. Albert F. Duerr.—Died December 5, 1922 by drowning in Potomac River near Quantico, Va. Next of kin: Francis Duerr, (father), Liberty, Ind.

Pvt. 1st Class, Stephen Ference.—Died December 6, 1922 by drowning in Potomac River near Quantico, Va. Next of kin: Walter Ference, (father), 14 Clark Lane, Palinsville, Pa.

Pvt. Dale D. Putman.—Died May 16, 1923 by drowning in the Potomac River near Quantico, Va. Next of kin: Mrs. Harry C. Shaffer, (mother), R. F. D. No. 1, Box 18, Montgomery, Mich.

Quartermaster Sergt. Michael Hatton (retired).—Died March 29, 1923 of disease at Brooklyn, N. Y. Next of kin: Mrs. H. McNanny, (cousin), 464 E. 49th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

First Sergt. Alexander Wood (retired).—Died April 11, 1923, of disease at Huntington, L. I., N. Y. Next of kin: Harriett R. Wood, (widow), R. F. D. No. 1, West Hills, Huntington, L. I., N. Y.

### BELLEAU WOOD

Quite a large share of the space in this issue is given to the celebration of the anniversary of Belleau Wood. This is fitting and proper. It would in fact, be perfectly proper to devote an entire issue to this one subject.

*Belleau Wood*, re-christened in the blood of our comrades, *Wood of the Marine Brigade*, has a most lofty place in the history of the Corps, and must have an inspiring influence in present and future generations of Marines.

There is no need to re-tell the story of the day when the *Prussian Guard* met the United States Marines. It is familiar to all who wear or have worn the Eagle,

Globe and Anchor. Where is the Marine who can recall the events of June, 1918, without experiencing a rush of feeling? Recollection of those days of strife stirs all that is best in us; pride in the manhood of America, pride in the achievement of our Corps, pride in the possession of our noble traditions. May we not hope that this pride may be translated into determination; determination to be men, determination to keep bright the reputation won for us, determination to abide by and live up to the traditions built up in every time of national emergency.

## Do You Know

That among the famous inventions of the Chinese are the following: The compass, printing, lithography, suspension bridges and gunpowder?

That a whistling buoy lost from the St. Lawrence River a year ago has been washed ashore on one of the Scilly Islands, just off the southwest coast of England, 3,000 miles from its starting point? The only injury was found to be confined to the gaslight case which had been wrenched from the top of the buoy.

That the public domain amounts to 182,000,000 acres, the great bulk of which, not yet allocated, lies in the States of California, Utah and Nevada? Some of it has so little value it has not been surveyed.

That wild song birds are caught in England by means of bird-lime and nets and sold in the mean streets in the large cities? The casualties among these caged birds are enormous.

That Cohens are ahead of the Smiths in the New York directory just issued? The book contains 1,981 pages and weighs 11 pounds, four ounces. There are nearly 6,500 Cohens and Cohns and approximately 5,800 Smiths and Smyths. There are 223 Abraham Cohens.

That a system of adapting criminal fines to the income of the offender, as well as to the seriousness of the crime, is a unique provision in the proposed revision of Sweden's criminal statutes which has been recommended by the Criminal Law Commission? Under the present system the fines are fixed within narrow limits which in no way serves as a deterrent to the wealthy man, while to the poor man it often becomes a punishment out of all proportion to the seriousness of the crime.

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